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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. [REDACTED], Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT : Items for Discussion, PSB Informal Meeting 29 July 1953

1. Attached is the agenda for the PSB Board meeting on July 29. Item one concerns the Thailand paper recently sent to the NSC for approval. It is my understanding that General Smith requested that the NSC postpone consideration of the paper pending a State redraft. Attached is a memorandum from George Morgan to the Board outlining the questions at issue. Also enclosed is a memorandum for the Director containing the position of FE Division on the proposed State Department changes. Also attached is a copy of PSB D-23 as it would appear if the State Department proposal is accepted. The Board is not being asked to approve this paper but it may be of interest to the Director.

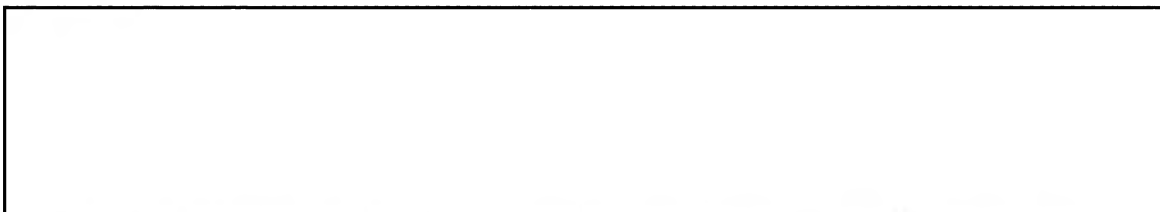
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2. Item two is the semi-annual report of the PSB to the NSC, annex D of which is the report of CIA to the PSB for the period from January 1 to June 30, 1953. This annex was prepared by PP Operations, reviewed by Mr. [REDACTED] then acting C/PP, and has been concurred in by DD/P. It is recommended that Mr. Dulles approve the entire paper. Copies of the CIA annex were delivered personally to members of the Board, including Mr. Stassen and Mr. Jackson, with a memorandum from [REDACTED] noting that the copies were being provided for their personal use only.

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3. It expected that several items will be brought up under "other business." These include:

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b. The recommendation of George Morgan that the Board refer the attached study on combatting communist influence among students and intellectuals to the Doctrinal Warfare (D-33) Panel. It is my understanding that the Board will not be asked to approve the paper itself. For Mr. Dulles' information, the background of this item is explained in two memorandums attached to the study itself. Recommendations of the paper are contained on pages six and seven and might be called to Mr. Dulles attention.

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4. Also attached is a memorandum from [REDACTED] Chief of the EE Division, to the DCI containing a proposal that the U.S. advocate the moving of the capitol of the German Federal Republic back to Berlin. I understand this is being sent to the Director in case he thinks the idea is worth discussing with the Board.

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5. Also enclosed is the weekly statement on CIA's progress in the implementation of PSB-D 45.



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Attachments: as stated

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